

We claim:

1. An oversized planter container assembly, the oversized planter container assembly comprising in combination:
  - an oversized planter container, the oversized planter container comprising a container bottom, a container rim, and a substantially uniformly sloped inner container surface, the inner container surface extending from the container bottom to the container rim, the inner container surface having a select container periphery intermediate the container bottom and the container rim;
  - a soil support platform, the soil support platform comprising a substantially planar superior support surface, a substantially planar inferior support surface, a peripheral support ridge, a plurality of support ribs, and a plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the peripheral support ridge comprising a sloped peripheral support surface and a peripheral support rim, the peripheral support surface being intermediate the superior support surface and the peripheral support rim, the peripheral support surface having a spacer – engaging depth, the support ribs being integrally formed to the inferior support surface and substantially equally spaced from one another, the matter – receiving apertures being spaced intermediate the support ribs and extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface; and
  - 20 a support spacer member, the support spacer member comprising a substantially planar superior spacer surface, a substantially planar inferior spacer surface, a sloped inner peripheral surface, a sloped outer peripheral surface, a horizontal spacer thickness, and a platform support ridge, the superior spacer

surface being substantially parallel with the inferior spacer surface, the inner peripheral surface being concentric within the outer peripheral surface, the platform support ridge being integrally formed to the inner peripheral surface extending medially adjacent the inferior spacer surface, the inner peripheral surface having a platform – engaging depth, the outer peripheral surface being in removably wedged engagement with the select container periphery, the peripheral support surface being in removably wedged engagement with the inner peripheral surface, the peripheral support rim being in removably seated engagement with the platform support ridge, the spacer – engaging depth coinciding with the platform – engaging depth such that the superior support surface is substantially coplanar with the superior spacer surface, the soil support platform and the support spacer member thus forming a substantially planar false bottom in the oversized planter container at the select container periphery.

- 15 2. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 1 wherein the select container periphery is a substantially uniform measured distance from the container rim, the measured distance ranging from 6 to 8 inches.
- 20 3. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 1 wherein the horizontal spacer thickness has a select magnitude ranging from .25 to 5 inches.
4. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 1 wherein the support spacer member comprises a dentate outer peripheral surface.

5. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 1 wherein the support spacer member comprises a plurality of moisture – receiving apertures.
6. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 1 wherein the support ribs comprise a peripheral support rib, the peripheral support rib being concentric within the peripheral support ridge.
7. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 6 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.
8. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 7 wherein the oversized planter container assembly further comprises a moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture drain aperture, the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture – collecting tray surface, an inferior tray surface, a peripheral tray rim, and a plurality of tray ribs, the superior moisture – collecting tray surface having a moisture – collecting depth, the peripheral tray rim comprising insert attachment means for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the soil support platform, the tray ribs being integrally formed to the inferior tray surface and substantially equally spaced from one another.
9. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 8 wherein the moisture – collecting depth has a measured magnitude of at most 1.5 inches.

10. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 8 wherein the matter –  
receiving apertures are defined by at least two latch member – receiving apertures  
and the insert attachment means are defined by at least two tray support latch  
5 members, the tray support latch members removably insertable through the latch  
member – receiving apertures for removably attaching the moisture – receiving  
tray to the soil support platform, the peripheral tray rim being concentric within  
the peripheral support rib when the moisture – receiving tray is removably  
attached to the soil support platform.

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11. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 1 wherein the soil support  
platform comprises manual removal means for enabling a user to manually  
remove the soil support platform from engagement with the support spacer  
member.

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12. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 11 wherein the matter –  
receiving apertures are defined by at least two tie strap – receiving apertures and  
the manual removal means are defined by at least one tie strap, the tie strap being  
looped through the tie strap – receiving apertures, the looped tie strap thus  
20 enabling a user to remove the soil support platform from engagement with the  
support spacer member.

13. An insert assembly for creating a false bottom in an oversized planter container comprising a container bottom, a container rim, and a substantially uniformly sloped inner container surface, the inner container surface extending from the container bottom to the container rim, the inner container surface having a select 5 container periphery intermediate the container bottom and the container rim, the insert assembly comprising:

a soil support platform, the soil support platform comprising a substantially planar superior support surface, a substantially planar inferior support surface, a peripheral support ridge, a plurality of support ribs, and a plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the peripheral support ridge comprising a sloped peripheral support surface and a peripheral support rim, the peripheral support surface being intermediate the superior support surface and the peripheral support rim, the peripheral support surface having a spacer – engaging depth, the support ribs being integrally formed to the inferior support surface and substantially equally spaced from one another, the matter – receiving apertures 10 being spaced intermediate the support ribs and extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface; and

15 at least one support spacer member, the support spacer member comprising a substantially planar superior spacer surface, a substantially planar inferior spacer surface, a sloped inner peripheral surface, a sloped outer peripheral surface, a horizontal spacer thickness, and a platform support ridge, the superior spacer surface being parallel with the inferior spacer surface, the inner peripheral surface being concentric within the outer peripheral surface, the platform support 20

ridge being integrally formed to the inner peripheral surface extending medially adjacent the inferior spacer surface, the inner peripheral surface having a platform – engaging depth, the outer peripheral surface being in removably wedged engagement with the select container periphery, the peripheral support rim being in removably seated engagement with the platform support ridge, the spacer-  
5 engaging depth coinciding with the platform – engaging depth such that the superior support surface is substantially coplanar with the superior spacer surface, the soil support platform and the support spacer member thus forming a substantially planar false bottom in the oversized planter container at the select  
10 container periphery.

14. The insert assembly of claim 13 wherein the horizontal spacer thickness has a select magnitude ranging from .25 to 5 inches.

15 15. The insert assembly of claim 13 wherein the support spacer member comprises a dentate outer peripheral surface.

16. The insert assembly of claim 13 wherein the support ribs comprise a peripheral support rib, the peripheral support rib being concentric within the peripheral  
20 support ridge.

17. The insert assembly of claim 13 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.

18. The insert assembly of claim 17 wherein the insert assembly further comprises a moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture drain aperture, the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture – collecting tray surface, an inferior tray surface, a peripheral tray rim, and a plurality of tray ribs, the superior moisture – collecting tray surface having a moisture – collecting depth, the peripheral tray rim comprising insert attachment means for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the soil support platform, the tray ribs being integrally formed to the inferior tray surface and substantially equally spaced from one another.

19. The insert assembly of claim 18 wherein the moisture – collecting depth has a measured magnitude of at most 1.5 inches.

15 20. The insert assembly of claim 19 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least two latch member – receiving apertures and the insert attachment means are defined by at least two tray support latch members, the tray support latch members removably insertable through the latch member – receiving apertures for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the soil support platform, the peripheral tray rim being concentric within the peripheral support rib when the moisture – receiving tray is removably attached to the soil support platform.

21. The insert assembly of claim 13 wherein the peripheral support surface is in  
removably wedged engagement with the inner peripheral surface.

5 22. The insert assembly of claim 13 wherein the soil support platform comprises  
manual removal means for enabling a user to manually remove the soil support  
platform from engagement with the support spacer member.

10 23. The insert assembly of claim 22 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are  
defined by at least two tie strap – receiving apertures and the manual removal  
means are defined by at least one tie strap, the tie strap being looped through the  
tie strap – receiving apertures, the looped tie strap thus enabling a user to remove  
the soil support platform from engagement with the support spacer member.

15 24. An insert assembly for creating a false bottom in an oversized planter container  
comprising a container bottom, a container rim, and a substantially uniformly  
sloped inner container surface, the inner container surface extending from the  
container bottom to the container rim, the inner container surface having a select  
container periphery intermediate the container bottom and the container rim, the  
insert assembly comprising:

20 a soil support platform, the soil support platform comprising a  
substantially planar superior support surface, a substantially planar inferior  
support surface, a peripheral support ridge, a plurality of support ribs, and a  
plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the peripheral support ridge comprising a

sloped peripheral support surface, the peripheral support surface being intermediate the superior support surface and the peripheral support rim, the support ribs being integrally formed to the inferior support surface and substantially equally spaced from one another, the matter – receiving apertures being spaced intermediate the support ribs and extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface; and

at least one nestable support spacer member, each nestable support spacer member comprising a substantially planar superior spacer surface, a substantially planar inferior spacer surface, a sloped inner peripheral surface, a sloped outer peripheral surface, a horizontal spacer thickness, an upwardly extending structure support ridge, and a downwardly extending structure support ridge, the superior spacer surface being parallel with the inferior spacer surface, the inner peripheral surface being concentric within the outer peripheral surface, the upwardly extending structure support ridge being integrally formed to the inner peripheral surface forming a ridge – receiving groove, the ridge – receiving groove being intermediate the upwardly extending structure support ridge and the inner peripheral surface, the peripheral support ridge being removably engaged with the ridge – receiving groove, the downwardly extending structure support ridge being integrally formed to the outer peripheral surface, the outer peripheral surface being removably engaged with a select sloped surface selected from the group consisting of the inner container surface and an inner peripheral surface, the soil support platform and at least one support spacer member thus forming a

substantially planar false bottom in the oversized planter container at the select sloped surface.

25. The insert assembly of claim 24 wherein the support spacer member comprises a  
5 ribbed inner peripheral surface.

26. The insert assembly of claim 24 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are  
defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.

10 27. The insert assembly of claim 26 wherein the insert assembly further comprises a  
moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture drain aperture,  
the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture – collecting tray  
surface, an inferior tray surface, a peripheral tray rim, and a plurality of tray ribs,  
the superior moisture – collecting tray surface having a moisture – collecting  
15 depth, the peripheral tray rim comprising insert attachment means for removably  
attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the soil support platform, the tray ribs  
being integrally formed to the inferior tray surface and substantially equally  
spaced from one another.

20 28. The insert assembly of claim 24 wherein the soil support platform comprises  
manual removal means for enabling a user to manually remove the soil support  
platform from engagement with the support spacer member.

29. A container insert for creating a false bottom in an oversized planter container comprising a container bottom, a container rim, and a substantially uniformly sloped inner container surface, the inner container surface extending from the container bottom to the container rim, the inner container surface having a select container periphery intermediate the container bottom and the container rim, the container insert comprising:

5 a substantially planar superior support surface, a substantially planar inferior support surface, a peripheral support ridge, a plurality of support ribs, and a plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the peripheral support ridge comprising a sloped peripheral support surface and a peripheral support rim, the peripheral support surface being intermediate the superior support surface and the peripheral support rim, the peripheral support surface having a container – engaging depth, the support ribs being integrally formed to the inferior support surface and substantially equally spaced from one another, the matter – receiving apertures being spaced intermediate the support ribs and extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface, the peripheral support surface being in removably wedged engagement with the select container periphery, the container insert thus forming a false bottom in the oversized planter container at the select container periphery.

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30. The container insert of claim 29 wherein the false bottom is spatially located a substantially uniform measured distance from the container rim, the measured distance ranging from 6 to 8 inches.

31. The container insert of claim 29 wherein the inferior container surface comprises a tray support structure, the tray support structure being concentric within the peripheral support ridge, the tray support structure having a tray support depth, 5 the tray support depth substantially equal in magnitude to the container – engaging depth, the tray support structure comprising tray – supporting means.

32. The container insert of claim 29 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.

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33. The container insert of claim 32 wherein the container insert comprises in combination a moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture drain aperture, the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture – collecting tray surface, an inferior tray surface, a peripheral tray surface, and a plurality of tray ribs, the superior moisture – collecting tray surface having a moisture – collecting depth, the peripheral tray surface comprising insert attachment means for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the container insert, the tray ribs being integrally formed to the inferior tray surface and substantially equally spaced from one another.

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34. The combination of claim 33 wherein the moisture – collecting depth has a measured magnitude of at most 1.5 inches.

35. The container insert of claim 34 wherein the tray – supporting means are defined by at least two latch member – receiving notches and the insert attachment means are defined by at least two tray support latch members, the latch member – receiving notches formed in the tray support rim, the tray support rim thus comprising tray support lips, the tray support latch members removably insertable into the latch member – receiving notches and supportable on the tray support lips for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the container insert, the peripheral tray surface being concentrically adjacent within the tray support structure when the moisture – receiving tray is removably attached to the container insert.

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36. The container insert of claim 29 wherein the container insert comprises in combination manual removal means for enabling a user to manually remove the container insert from engagement with the select container periphery.

37. The combination of claim 36 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least two tie strap – receiving apertures and the manual removal means are defined by at least one tie strap, the tie strap being looped through the tie strap – receiving apertures, the looped tie strap thus enabling a user to remove the container insert from engagement with the select container periphery.

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38. A container insert for creating a false bottom in an oversized planter container comprising a container bottom, a container rim, and a non-uniform inner

container surface, the inner container surface extending from the container bottom to the container rim, the inner container surface comprising an inner container ledge intermediate the container bottom and the container rim, the container insert comprising:

5 a substantially planar superior support surface, a substantially planar inferior support surface, a peripheral support ridge, a plurality of support ribs, and a plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the peripheral support ridge comprising a peripheral support rim, the support ribs being integrally formed to the inferior support surface and substantially equally spaced from one another, the matter – receiving apertures being spaced intermediate the support ribs and extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface, the peripheral support surface being in removably seated engagement with the inner container ledge, the container insert thus forming a false bottom in the oversized planter container at the inner container ledge.

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39. The container insert of claim 38 wherein the false bottom is spatially located a substantially uniform measured distance from the container rim, the measured distance ranging from 6 to 8 inches.

20 40. The container insert of claim 38 wherein the support ribs comprise a peripheral support rib, the peripheral support rib being concentric within the peripheral support ridge.

41. The container insert of claim 38 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.

42. The container insert of claim 41 wherein the container insert comprises in  
5 combination a moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture drain aperture, the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture – collecting tray surface, an inferior tray surface, a peripheral tray rim, and a plurality of tray ribs, the a superior moisture – collecting tray surface having a moisture – collecting depth, the peripheral tray rim comprising insert attachment means for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the container  
10 insert, the tray ribs being integrally formed to the inferior tray surface and substantially equally spaced from one another.

43. The combination of claim 42 wherein the moisture – collecting depth has a  
15 measured magnitude of at most 1.5 inches.

44. The container insert of claim 43 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least two latch member – receiving apertures and the insert attachment means are defined by comprising at least two tray support latch  
20 members, the tray support latch members removably insertable through the latch member – receiving apertures for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the container insert, the peripheral tray rim being concentric within the

peripheral support rib when the moisture – receiving tray is removably attached to the container insert.

45. The container insert of claim 38 wherein the container insert comprises in  
5 combination manual removal means for enabling a user to manually remove the container insert from engagement with the inner container ledge.

46. The combination of claim 45 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least two tie strap – receiving apertures and the manual removal means are  
10 defined by at least one tie strap, the tie strap being looped through the tie strap – receiving apertures, the looped tie strap thus enabling a user to remove the container insert from engagement with the inner container ledge.

47. An oversized planter container assembly, the oversized planter container  
15 assembly comprising in combination:

an oversized planter container, the oversized planter container comprising a container bottom, a container rim, an outer container surface, and a non-uniform inner container surface, the inner container surface extending from the container bottom to the container rim, the inner container surface comprising an inner container ledge intermediate the container bottom and the container rim; and  
20 a container insert for creating a false bottom in the oversized planter container, the container insert comprising a substantially planar superior support surface, a substantially planar inferior support surface, a peripheral support ridge,

a plurality of support ribs, and a plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the peripheral support ridge comprising a peripheral support rim, the support ribs being integrally formed to the inferior support surface and substantially equally spaced from one another, the matter – receiving apertures being spaced intermediate the support ribs and extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface, the peripheral support surface being in removably seated engagement with the inner container ledge, the container insert thus forming a false bottom in the oversized planter container at the inner container ledge.

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48. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 47 wherein the support ribs comprise a peripheral support rib, the peripheral support rib being concentric within the peripheral support ridge.

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49. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 47 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.

50. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 49 wherein the oversized planter container assembly comprises in combination a moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture drain aperture, the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture – collecting tray surface, an inferior tray surface, a peripheral tray rim, and a plurality of tray ribs, the peripheral tray rim

comprising insert attachment means for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the container insert, the tray ribs being integrally formed to the inferior tray surface and substantially equally spaced from one another.

5 51. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 50 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least two latch member – receiving apertures and the insert attachment means are defined by at least two tray support latch members, the tray support latch members removably insertable through the latch member – receiving apertures for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the container insert, the peripheral tray rim being concentric within the peripheral support rib when the moisture – receiving tray is removably attached to the container insert.

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15 52. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 47 wherein the container insert comprises manual removal means for enabling a user to manually remove the container insert from engagement with the inner container ledge.

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53. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 52 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least two tie strap – receiving apertures and the manual removal means are defined by at least one tie strap, the tie strap being looped through the tie strap – receiving apertures, the looped tie strap thus enabling a user to remove the container insert from engagement with the inner container ledge.

54. The oversized planter container assembly of claim 47 wherein the outer container surface comprises an exterior container overhang, the container overhang being laterally adjacent to and coinciding with the inner container ledge, the container overhang thus forming an exterior structural marker, the exterior structural marker identifying the spatial location of the inner container ledge.

55. In combination, a container and an insert assembly for creating a false bottom in the container, the container comprising:

10 a container bottom, a container rim, and a sloped inner container surface, the inner container surface extending from the container bottom to the container rim, the inner container surface having a select container periphery intermediate the container bottom and the container rim, the insert assembly comprising:

15 a support platform, the support platform comprising a superior support surface, an inferior support surface, a peripheral support ridge, and a plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the matter – receiving apertures extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface; and

20 at least one support spacer member, the support spacer member comprising a superior spacer surface, an inferior spacer surface, an inner peripheral surface, an outer peripheral surface, a horizontal spacer thickness, and a platform support ridge, the inner peripheral surface being concentric within the outer peripheral surface, the platform support ridge being integrally formed to the inner peripheral surface extending medially adjacent the inferior spacer surface,

the outer peripheral surface being in removable engagement with the select container periphery, the peripheral support ridge being in removable engagement with the platform support ridge, the support platform and the support spacer member thus forming a false bottom in the container at the select container periphery.

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56. The combination of claim 55 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.

10 57. The combination of claim 56 wherein the combination comprises a moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture drain aperture, the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture – collecting tray surface, an inferior tray surface, and a peripheral tray rim, the peripheral tray rim comprising insert attachment means for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the support platform.

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58. The combination of claim 57 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least two latch member – receiving apertures and the insert attachment means are defined by at least two tray support latch members, the tray support latch members removably insertable through the latch member – receiving apertures for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the support platform.

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59. The combination of claim 55 wherein the support platform comprises manual removal means for enabling a user to manually remove the support platform from engagement with the support spacer member.

5 60. The combination of claim 55 wherein the outer container surface comprises an exterior container overhang, the container overhang being laterally adjacent to and coinciding with the inner container ledge, the container overhang thus forming an exterior structural marker, the exterior structural marker identifying the spatial location of the inner container ledge.

10 61. A container insert for creating a false bottom in a container comprising a container bottom, a container rim, and an inner container ledge, the inner container ledge located intermediate the container bottom and the container rim, the container insert comprising:

15 a superior support surface, a inferior support surface, a peripheral support ridge, and a plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the matter – receiving apertures extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface, the peripheral support ridge being in removable engagement with the inner container ledge, the container insert thus forming a false bottom in the container at the inner container ledge.

20 62. The container insert of claim 61 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.

63. The container insert of claim 62 wherein the container insert comprises in  
combination a moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture  
drain aperture, the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture –  
5 collecting tray surface, an inferior tray surface, and a peripheral tray rim, the  
peripheral tray rim comprising insert attachment means for removably attaching  
the moisture – receiving tray to the container insert.

64. The container insert of claim 61 wherein the container insert comprises in  
10 combination manual removal means for enabling a user to manually remove the  
container insert from engagement with the inner container ledge.

65. A container insert for creating a false bottom in a container comprising a  
container bottom, a container rim, an inner container surface, and a select  
15 container periphery, the select container periphery located intermediate the  
container bottom and the container rim along the inner container surface, the  
container insert comprising:  
a superior support surface, a inferior support surface, and a peripheral  
support ridge, the peripheral support ridge being in removable engagement with  
20 the select container periphery, the container insert thus forming a false bottom in  
the container at the select container periphery.

66. The container insert of claim 65 wherein the inner container surface and the peripheral support surface are sloped, the peripheral support ridge thus being in removably wedged engagement with the select container periphery.

5 67. The container insert of claim 65 wherein the container insert comprises a plurality of matter – receiving apertures, the matter – receiving apertures extending from the superior support surface to the inferior support surface

10 68. The container insert of claim 67 wherein the matter – receiving apertures are defined by at least one moisture drain aperture.

15 69. The container insert of claim 68 wherein the container insert comprises in combination a moisture – receiving tray for collecting moisture from the moisture drain aperture, the moisture – receiving tray comprising a superior moisture – collecting tray surface, an inferior tray surface, and a peripheral tray rim, the peripheral tray rim comprising insert attachment means for removably attaching the moisture – receiving tray to the container insert.

20 70. The container insert of claim 65 wherein the container insert comprises in combination at least one support spacer member, each support spacer member comprising a superior spacer surface, an inferior spacer surface, an inner peripheral surface, an outer peripheral surface, and a horizontal spacer thickness, the inner peripheral surface being concentric within the outer peripheral surface,

the outer peripheral surface being in removable engagement with a select surface, the select surface being selected from the group consisting of the inner container surface and an inner peripheral surface, the soil support platform and at least one support spacer member thus forming a false bottom in the container at the select surface.

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